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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

In re
Tulare Local Healthcare District,

Debtor,

Tax ID #: 94-6002897
Address: 869 N. Cherry Street
Tulare, CA 93274

Case No. 17-13797

Chapter 9

DC No.: WJH-4

**EXHIBITS IN SUPPORT OF
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE
SERVICES' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO
FILE AMENDED PROOF OF CLAIM**

Date: May 27, 2020
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Place: 2500 Tulare Street
Fresno, CA 93721
Courtroom 13
Judge: The Honorable René Lastreto, II

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1 In support of its motion for leave to amend Proof of Claim 197, Creditor Department of
2 Health Care Services (DHCS) proffers the following exhibits:

3 Exhibit A Amended Proof of Claim 197

4 Exhibit A-1 Amended Declaration of Shiela Mendiola in Support of Amended POC 197

5 Exhibit A-1(a) Spreadsheet of Interim Payments & Estimated Overpayments for 2002-2016

6 Dated: April 9, 2020

7 Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

Amended Proof of Claim 197

Fill in this information to identify the case:	
Debtor 1	Tulare Local Healthcare District dba Tulare Regional Medical Center
Debtor 2 (Spouse, if filing)	_____
United States Bankruptcy Court for the:	_____ Eastern _____ District of California
Case number	17-13797

Official Form 410

Proof of Claim AMENDED PROOF OF CLAIM 197

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Read the instructions before filling out this form. This form is for making a claim for payment in a bankruptcy case. Do not use this form to make a request for payment of an administrative expense. Make such a request according to 11 U.S.C. § 503.

Filers must leave out or redact information that is entitled to privacy on this form or on any attached documents. Attach redacted copies of any documents that support the claim, such as promissory notes, purchase orders, invoices, itemized statements of running accounts, contracts, judgments, mortgages, and security agreements. Do not send original documents; they may be destroyed after scanning. If the documents are not available, explain in an attachment.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.

Fill in all the information about the claim as of the date the case was filed. That date is on the notice of bankruptcy (Form 309) that you received.

Part 1: Identify the Claim

1. Who is the current creditor?	Department of Health Care Services Name of the current creditor (the person or entity to be paid for this claim)		
	Other names the creditor used with the debtor _____		
2. Has this claim been acquired from someone else?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. From whom? _____		
3. Where should notices and payments to the creditor be sent? Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (FRBP) 2002(g)	Where should notices to the creditor be sent? Name P.O. Box 997413 Number Street Sacramento CA 95899 City State ZIP Code Contact phone 916-345-8387 Contact email Mark.McClenning@dhcs.ca.gov	Where should payments to the creditor be sent? (if different) Name Number Street City State ZIP Code Contact phone _____ Contact email _____	
Uniform claim identifier for electronic payments in chapter 13 (if you use one): -----			
4. Does this claim amend one already filed?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes. Claim number on court claims registry (if known) 197 Filed on 04/06/2018 MM / DD / YYYY		
5. Do you know if anyone else has filed a proof of claim for this claim?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Who made the earlier filing? _____		

Part 2: Give Information About the Claim as of the Date the Case Was Filed

6. Do you have any number you use to identify the debtor? No Yes. Last 4 digits of the debtor's account or any number you use to identify the debtor: 2 8 9 7

7. How much is the claim? \$ 5,520,423.33. Does this amount include interest or other charges? No
 estimate from 2002-2016 Yes. Attach statement itemizing interest, fees, expenses, or other charges required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c)(2)(A).
 estimate for 2016-2017 not yet available

8. What is the basis of the claim? Examples: Goods sold, money loaned, lease, services performed, personal injury or wrongful death, or credit card. Attach redacted copies of any documents supporting the claim required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c). Limit disclosing information that is entitled to privacy, such as health care information.

Overpayment of supplemental reimbursement under Medi-Cal

9. Is all or part of the claim secured? No Yes. The claim is secured by a lien on property.

Nature of property:

- Real estate. If the claim is secured by the debtor's principal residence, file a *Mortgage Proof of Claim Attachment* (Official Form 410-A) with this *Proof of Claim*.
- Motor vehicle
- Other. Describe: _____

Basis for perfection: _____

Attach redacted copies of documents, if any, that show evidence of perfection of a security interest (for example, a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, financing statement, or other document that shows the lien has been filed or recorded.)

Value of property: \$ _____

Amount of the claim that is secured: \$ _____

Amount of the claim that is unsecured: \$ _____ (The sum of the secured and unsecured amounts should match the amount in line 7.)

Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition: \$ _____

Annual Interest Rate (when case was filed) _____ %

- Fixed
- Variable

10. Is this claim based on a lease? No
 Yes. Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition. \$ _____

11. Is this claim subject to a right of setoff? No
 Yes. Identify the property: Equitable recoupment from Medi-Cal payments.

12. Is all or part of the claim entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)?

A claim may be partly priority and partly nonpriority. For example, in some categories, the law limits the amount entitled to priority.

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|---|-----------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Check one. | Amount entitled to priority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic support obligations (including alimony and child support) under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(1)(A) or (a)(1)(B). | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Up to \$3,025* of deposits toward purchase, lease, or rental of property or services for personal, family, or household use. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(7). | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wages, salaries, or commissions (up to \$13,650*) earned within 180 days before the bankruptcy petition is filed or the debtor's business ends, whichever is earlier. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(4). | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Taxes or penalties owed to governmental units. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(8). | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contributions to an employee benefit plan. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(5). | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other. Specify subsection of 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(____) that applies. | \$ _____ |

* Amounts are subject to adjustment on 4/01/22 and every 3 years after that for cases begun on or after the date of adjustment.

Part 3: Sign Below

The person completing this proof of claim must sign and date it.
FRBP 9011(b).

If you file this claim electronically, FRBP 5005(a)(2) authorizes courts to establish local rules specifying what a signature is.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both.
18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.

Check the appropriate box:

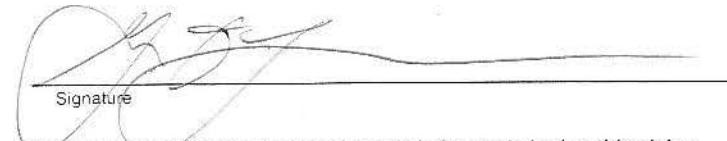
- I am the creditor.
- I am the creditor's attorney or authorized agent.
- I am the trustee, or the debtor, or their authorized agent. Bankruptcy Rule 3004.
- I am a guarantor, surety, endorser, or other codebtor. Bankruptcy Rule 3005.

I understand that an authorized signature on this *Proof of Claim* serves as an acknowledgment that when calculating the amount of the claim, the creditor gave the debtor credit for any payments received toward the debt.

I have examined the information in this *Proof of Claim* and have a reasonable belief that the information is true and correct.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on date 04/09/2020
MM / DD / YYYY



Print the name of the person who is completing and signing this claim:

Name	Grant	Lien
	First name	Middle name
Title	<u>Deputy Attorney General</u>	
Company	<u>Office of the Attorney General</u>	
Identify the corporate servicer as the company if the authorized agent is a servicer.		
Address	1300 I Street, Suite 125	
	Number	Street
	Sacramento	CA
City		ZIP Code
Contact phone	<u>916-210-7920</u>	Email <u>Grant.Lien@doj.ca.gov</u>

EXHIBIT A-1

Amended Declaration of Shiela Mendiola in
Support of Amended Proof of Claim 197

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**AMENDED DECLARATION OF
SHIELA MENDIOLA IN SUPPORT OF
AMENDED PROOF OF CLAIM 197**

24 I, Shiela Mendiola, declare as follow:
25 1. I have been employed by the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) as the
26 Section Chief of the Medi-Cal Supplemental Payment Section since January 2015. In that
27 position, I oversee supplemental payment programs for the Safety Net Financing Division and am
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1 a custodian of records for the Supplemental Reimbursement for Public Outpatient Hospital
2 Services Program.

3 2. California Welfare and Institutions Code section 14105.96 provides supplemental
4 reimbursements under California's Medi-Cal (Medicaid) program for an outpatient department of
5 a general acute care hospital that is owned or operated by a city, county, city and county, the
6 University of California, or health care district, which meets specified requirements and provides
7 outpatient hospital services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries. Supplemental reimbursement under the
8 Supplemental Reimbursement for Public Outpatient Hospital Services Program reimburses for
9 hospital costs that are in excess of the payments the hospital receives for outpatient hospital
10 services from any source of Medi-Cal reimbursement.

11 3. Interim payments are calculated using cost to charge ratios from cost reports, as well as
12 Medi-Cal Fee-for-Service (FFS) charges and payments from provider submitted claims. Final
13 reconciliations require cost to charge ratios to be reconciled to audited cost reports and Medi-Cal
14 FFS charges, and payments reconciled to data from DHCS' internal Medicaid Management
15 Information System (MMIS). California State Medicaid Plan, Attachment 4.19-B, pp. 47-48.
16 During final reconciliations, adjustments are made for underpayments and overpayments.

17 4. When DHCS filed its original POC 197 on April 6, 2018, it could not include a specific
18 amount for its claim because final reconciliations were still pending for Fiscal Year (FY) 2002-03
19 through the bankruptcy filing in September 2017.

20 5. Since April 6, 2018, DHCS has audited the cost reports for FY 2002-03 through FY
21 2015-16, using the methodology described in paragraph 3, and can now estimate the final
22 reconciliation amount for that period to be an overpayment of \$5,520,423.33. Attached as
23 Exhibit 1(a) is an Excel Spreadsheet itemizing the interim payment and estimated overpayment
24 for each fiscal year from 2002-2016 based on the methodology described in paragraph 3, and the
25 total overpayment for that time period of \$5,520,423.33. However, audited cost reports for FY
26 2016-17 are not yet available, so FY 2016-17 final reconciliation amounts still cannot be
27 estimated.

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1 I declare under the laws of perjury of the State of California that the statements in this
2 declaration are true and correct.

3 Executed in Sacramento, California on April 9, 2020.



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EXHIBIT A-1(a)

Interim Payments & Estimated Overpayments
for 2002-2016 in Support of Amended
Proof of Claim 197

AB 915 Public Hospital Outpatient Services Supplemental Reimbursement Program

Final Reconciliation Estimated Overpayments, as of February 12, 2020, for Tulare Healthcare District

Tulare participated in AB 915 FYs 2002-03 through FY 2016-17.

Final reconciliation process is still pending and has not been finalized. Amounts below are estimates subject to change.

	Interim Payments	Final Reconciliation - Estimated Overpayment
FY 2002-03	\$ 432,176.53	\$ (427,477.50)
FY 2003-04	\$ 753,423.43	\$ (560,639.21)
FY 2004-05	\$ 701,433.47	\$ (433,297.25)
FY 2005-06	\$ 851,294.14	\$ (643,294.14)
FY 2006-07	\$ 982,438.69	\$ (566,974.77)
FY 2007-08	\$ 701,527.81	\$ (243,993.06)
FY 2008-09	\$ 727,889.97	\$ (144,288.09)
FY 2009-10	\$ 977,329.21	\$ (661,446.32)
FY 2010-11	\$ 1,210,354.62	\$ (762,887.93)
FY 2011-12	\$ 574,803.00	\$ (161,273.91)
FY 2012-13	\$ 427,886.50	\$ (116,802.41)
FY 2013-14	\$ 593,418.00	\$ (185,851.20)
FY 2014-15	\$ 719,749.29	\$ (181,379.54)
FY 2015-16	\$ 863,939.00	\$ (430,818.00)
FY 2016-17*	\$ 597,784.83	
Total:	\$ 11,115,448.49	\$ (5,520,423.33)

*Tulare received FY 2016-17 AB 915 reimbursement. However, audited cost reports are not yet available for FY 2016-17. Therefore, the AB 915 final reconciliation amount cannot be estimated at this time.